Anno Regni GULIELMI ET MARIÆ, REGIS & REGINÆ *Angliæ, Scotiæ, Franciæ & Hiberniæ,* Quinto & Sexto.

At the Parliament begun at *Weſtminſter* the Twentieth Day of *March*, *Anno Dom.* 1689. In the Second Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord and Lady, *WILLIAM* and *MARY*, by the Grace of God, of *England*, *Scotland*, *France* and *Ireland*, King and Queen, Defenders of the Faith, *&c.*

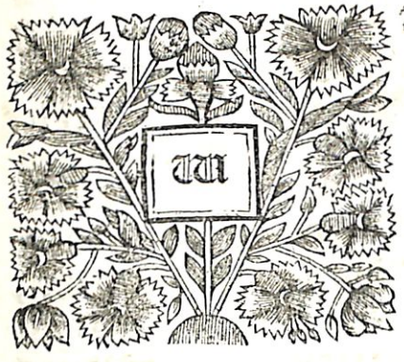
And from thence Continued by ſeveral Prorogations and Adjournments to the Seventh Day of *November*, 1693. being the Fifth Seſſion of this preſent Parliament.

LONDON,
Printed by *Charles Bill*, and the Executrix of *Thomas Newcomb*, deceas'd, Printers to the King and Queens moſt Excellent Majeſties. 1694.

Anno Quinto & Sexto

GULIELMI & MARIÆ.

An Act for Granting to Their Majesties ſeveral Rates and Duties upon Tunnage of Ships and Veſſels, and upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors, for Securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the ſaid Act mentioned, to ſuch Perſons as ſhall Voluntarily Advance the Sum of Fifteen hundred thouſand Pounds towards carrying on the War againſt *France*.



WE Your Majeſties moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Commons Aſſembled in Parliament, for the further Supply of Your Majeſties Extraordinary Occaſions, for and towards the Neceſſary Defence of Your Realms, do humbly preſent Your Majeſties with the further Gift

of the Impositions, Rates and Duties herein after mentioned; And do beseech Your Majesties that it may be Enacted.

And be it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament Assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That for and during the Term of Four Years, Commencing from the First Day of June, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety and Four, there shall be, throughout the Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, Raised, Levied, Collected and Paid unto and for the Use of Their Majesties Their Heirs and Successors, for and upon the Tunnage of all Ships and Vessels, Wherein at any time or times, and for every time, during the said Term of Four Years, there shall be Imported any Goods or Merchandizes into this Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, from any the Parts, Places or Countreys hereafter mentioned, or Wherein, during the said Term, there shall be carried Coastwise from any Port, Member or Creek, in the Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, unto any other Port, Creek or Member, within the same Kingdom, Dominion, Port or Town, the several and respective Rates, Impositions, Duties and Sums of Money herein after mentioned (That is to say)

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes from the East-Indies, or any Parts Southward or Eaſtward of Cabo bona Speranza, the Sum of Thirty Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from any Ports or Places in Italy or Turkey, the Sum of Fifteen Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſell, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from any Ports or Places in Portugal or Spain, the Sum of Ten Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from any the Plantations, Lands or Places in the Weſt-Indies, the Sum of Ten Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from Holland, or any the United-Provinces, or from the Netherlands or Flanders, the Sum of Three Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from Norway, Hamborough, or the Baltick-Sea, or from any the Eaſtland Countries, or from any other Ports or Places North of Holland, the Sum of Five Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Veſſel, Importing

Goods, Wares or Merchandizes from Ireland or Scotland, the Sum of Two Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from any Port or Place in the Mediterranean Sea (not otherwise charged in this Act) the Sum of Fifteen Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, from the Parts or Coasts of Guinea or Africa, without the Streights, the Sum of Twenty Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, Importing Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes from Hudson's Bay, or any Place within the Limits of that Companies Charter, the Sum of Twenty Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes from the Canaries, Madera's, or any the Western Islands, the Sum of Ten Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, Importing Goods, Wares or Merchandizes from any Ports or Places in Greenland, Muscovia or Russia, the Sum of Ten Shillings.

For every Tun of the Burthen, or Contents of any Ship or Vessel, used or imployed in the Coasting Trade from Port to Port in England, Wales or Berwick upon Tweed, the Sum of Six Pence.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said several Rates, Duties and Sums of Money herein before mentioned, and hereby imposed upon the Tunnage of Ships or Vessels shall be accounted, taken and paid according to the Measure of such Ships or Vessels which shall be made and taken by Their Majesties Officers in the respective Ports or Places where they shall arrive, and that the Master or Owners or Freighters of all such Ships or Vessels Importing Goods Inwards, or Carrying Goods Coast-Wise, as aforesaid, shall, upon every arrival of any such Ships or Vessels at the Port or Place of their Discharge or Unlading in England or Wales, or at the Town or Port of Berwick upon Tweed, cause and procure such Ships or Vessels to be Entred in the Custom-house of, or belonging to such Port or Place, and all the time of such Entry, and before any Goods or Merchandizes, shall be unladen out of any such Ships or Vessels, shall either pay down in ready Money to Their Majesties Officers of the Customs in such Port or Place, for the use of Their Majesties, the said Duties and Sums of Money due and payable for the Tunnage of all such Ships or Vessels, or else shall give good and sufficient Security, by Bond, to Their Majesties, with Sureties, to be approved by the said Officers of the Customs, to pay the said Duties and Sums to Their Majesties use, within the space of One Month next after the clearing of the Ship; And where the Duties shall be paid down, the

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Parties paying the same, shall have an Allowance by Way of Rebate or Deduction out of the same, after the Rate of Ten Pounds per Centum per Annum, for every Hundred Pounds which such Duties so paid down, shall amount unto; And in case any Goods, Wares or Merchandize Imported or Carryed Coast-Wise, as aforesaid, shall be Unshipped, to be Laid on Land, before the Duties or Sums of Money beforementioned, Due or Payable for the Tunnage of such Ships or Vessels Importing or Carrying Goods Coast-Wise, as aforesaid, shall be Paid down or Secured, as aforesaid, That then every such Ship or Vessel out of which any such Goods or Merchandizes shall be unladen before Payment Made or Security Given for the said Duties, together with the Guns, Tackle, Ammunition and Apparel of the same, shall be Forfeited and Lost, one Moiety of which Forfeitures shall be to Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety to such Person or Persons as shall Seize, Sue or Inform for the same, to be Recovered in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection or Wager of Law shall be allowed. And over and besides the said Forfeitures, the Master, Owners and Freighters of every such Ship shall be Liable and Chargeable to Their Majesties Their Heirs and Successors, for the said Duties of Tunnage which shall not be Paid or Secured, as aforesaid.

And

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the aforesaid respective Duties upon the Tunnage of Ships or Vessels Importing Goods or Merchandizes from parts beyond the Seas, or from Scotland, shall be paid and born by the Merchant-Freighters, and by the Master and Owners of such Ships or Vessels by way of Average amongst themselves (that is to say) two third parts thereof shall be born by the Merchants and Freighters of such Ships or Vessels in Proportion, according to their respective Shares or Interests of or in the Freight, and the other Third part to be born by the Masters or Owners of such Ships or Vessels, who are hereby Required and Enjoyned to bear and pay the same accordingly; And the said Duty of Tunnage of Ships or Vessels Used in or Employed in the Coasting Trade from Port to Port, as aforesaid, shall be paid and born by the Master or Owners of such Ships or Vessels.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Ships belonging to the Company of Merchants of London, Trading to Greenland, Importing Dyl Blubber, Whale Fins or any other Merchandize from thence, shall pay Ten Shillings per Tun only for such Dyl Blubber, Whale Fins and other Merchandize as shall be really and bonâ fide brought home in any of the said Companies Ships, and not be obliged to pay according to the Measure of the Shipping; Any thing herein con-

tained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Ships Trading to New-found land Importing Train-Oyl, or any other Merchandize from thence, shall pay Ten Shillings per Tun only for such Train-Oyl or other Merchandize as shall be really and bonâ fide brought home, and not be obliged to pay according to the measure of the Shipping; Any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always and be it further Enacted, That if a Peace shall be made and declared betwéen Their Majesties and the French King, at any time during the continuance of the Duty Charged by this Act upon the Tunnage of Ships and Vessels, then and in such case, all Ships and Vessels Importing any Goods or Merchandize from any of the French Kings Territories in Europe Without the Streights, shall pay the like Duty of Tunnage, as any Ships or Vessels Importing Goods from Portugal are charged with by this Act, over and above all other Duties payable for such Ships and Vessels.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act, nor any thing therein contained, shall not extend to charge, or lay any Duty upon any Barge Employed in carrying Sand, Lime, or Slate-Stone from Port to Port, Within the Kingdom of England, and Dominion of Wales, for, or in respect

respect of any such Lading only; Any thing herein before contained to the contrary in any Wise notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted and Declared, That all Ships and Vessels, Importing Goods and Merchandize from Foreign Parts, as well as all Coasting Vessels, liable to the payment of the Duties of Tunnage, by this Act imposed, shall be Gauged and Measured according to the Rule Printed, With the Book of Rates, Published in the Year, One thousand six hundred seventy one (that is to say) every Single Deck'd Ship or Vessel, shall be measured by the length of the Keel taken Within Board (so much as she Treads upon the Ground) and the breadth to be taken Within Board, by the Midship Beam, from Plank to Plank, and the depth of the Hold, from the Plank below the Kelsey, to the under part of the Deck-Plank; And for a Two-Deckt Ship (which carries Goods between Decks) the depth of her Hold to be taken from the Plank below the Kelsey, to the under part of the Upper Deck Plank, and the length and breadth as before; then Multiply the length by the breadth, and the Product thereof by the depth, and divide the Whole by Ninety four, and the Quotient Will give the true Contents of the Tunnage, according to Which Method and Rule, all Ships and Vessels shall be measured, and the several Duties of Tunnage thereby be Computed and Collected accordingly, any Custom, Practice, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

And

And whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the Second year of Their Majesties Reign, Entituled, An Act for Granting to Their Majesties several Additional Duties upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors for Four Years, from the time that an Act for doubling the Duty of Excise upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors, during the space of One Year doth Expire; It was Enacted, That from and after the Seventeenth Day of November, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety and one, there should be throughout Their Majesties Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, Raised, Levied, Collected and Paid unto Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, during the Space and Term of Four Years, and no longer, for Beer, Ale, Cyder and other Liquors therein mentioned, by way of Excise, over and above all other Duties, Charges and Impositions by any former Act or Acts which should be then Unexpired, Set and Imposed, in such manner as therein is mentioned; Which Rates and Duties aforesaid by Act of Parliament, made in the Third and Fourth years of Their now Majesties Reign are continued, until the Seventeenth Day of May, One thousand six hundred and ninety seven:

Be it farther Enacted, That for the further Encouragement of such Persons who shall Voluntarily Contribute towards the Raising and Paying into Their Majesties Exchequer, any Sum or Sums, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Fifteen

hundred thousand Pounds upon the several Terms and Recompences herein after mentioned, That from and after the Seventeenth Day of May, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety and seven, there shall be throughout Their Majesties Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, Raised, Levied, Collected and Paid unto Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, for Beer, Ale, Cyder and other Liquors herein after Expressed by way of Excise, over and above all Duties, Charges and Impositions by any former Act or Acts then Unexpired, Set and Imposed, one Moiety or half Part of the several Rates and Duties of Excise Granted by the said last mentioned Act, in Manner and Form following (that is to say)

For every Barrel of Beer or Ale, above Six Shillings the Barrel exclusive of the Duty of Excise, Brewed by the Common Brewer, or any other Person or Persons who doth or shall Sell or Tap out Beer or Ale Publickly or Privately, to be Paid by the Common Brewer, or by such other Person or Persons respectively, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity over and above the Duties payable for the same, Nine Pence.

For every Barrel of Beer or Ale, of Six Shillings the Barrel or under, Brewed by the Common Brewer, or any other Person or Persons who shall Sell or Tap out Beer or Ale Publickly or Privately, to be paid by

the Common Brewer, or by such other Person or Persons respectively, as aforesaid, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, over and above the Duties payable for the same, Three Pence.

For every Barrel of Vinegar or Vinegar Beer Brewed or Made of any English Materials, by any Common Brewer, or any other Person for Sale, to be paid by the Maker thereof, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, over and above the Duties of Excise payable for the same, One Shilling Six Pence.

For every Barrel of Vinegar or Liquor prepared for Vinegar made here for Sale, that hath run through Rape, or made with or passing through any Foreign Materials, or any mixture With Foreign Materials, to be paid by the Maker thereof, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, Four Shillings.

For every Barrel of Beer, Ale or Mum, Imported from beyond the Seas, or from the Islands of Guernsey or Jersey, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, to be paid by the Importers before Landing, over and above the Duties payable for the same, Three Shillings.

For every Tun of Cyder or Perry Imported from beyond the Seas, and so proportionably for a greater or lesser Quantity, to be paid by the Importer before Landing, over and above the Duties payable for the same, Four Pounds.

For every Gallon of Single Brandy, Spirits or Aqua Vitæ, Imported from be-

yond the Seas, to be paid by the Importer before landing, over and above the Duties payable for the same, Six Pence.

For every Gallon of Brandy, Spirits or Aqua Vitæ above proof, commonly called Double Brandy, Imported from beyond the Seas, to be paid by the Importer before Landing, over and above the Duties payable for the same, One Shilling.

For all Cyder and Perry Made and Sold by Retail, upon every Hogshead, to be paid by the Retailer thereof, over and above the Duties payable for the same (and so proportionably for a greater or Lesser measure) One Shilling Three Pence.

For all Metheglin or Mead made for Sale, whether by Retail or otherwise, to be paid by the Maker for every Gallon, Three Pence.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said several Rates, Duties and Impositions upon Beer, Ale, Cyder and other Liquors aforesaid, be Levyed, Collected and Paid unto Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors in the same manner and form, and by such Rules, Ways and Means, and under such Penalties and Forfeitures as are mentioned in the Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, Entituled, An Act for taking away the Court of Wards and Liveries and Tenures *in Capite*, and by Knights Service and Purveyance, and for Settling a Revenue upon His Majesty in lieu thereof, and also in and by another Act made in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of the said late King Charles the

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Second, Entituled, A Grant of certain Impositions upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors for the Increase of His Majesties Revenue during His Life; and also in and by another Act made in the Fifteenth year of the Reign of the said late King Charles the Second, Entituled, An Additional Act for the better Ordering and Collecting of the Duty of Excise, and preventing the Abuses therein, or by any other Law in force relating to the said Revenue of Excise; and that the aforesaid Acts, and every Article, Rule and Clause therein mentioned, as for, and concerning only the Rates, Duties and Impositions upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors by this Act Granted, shall be of full Force and Effect to all Intents and Purposes in like manner as if the same were at large, and particularly recited and set down in the Body of this Act.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners and Governors for Management and Receipt of the Excise, and the Commissioners and other Officers of the Customs Respectively, at the head Office in London, for the time being, shall separate, and keep apart all and every the Moneys arising by the several Rates and Duties by this Act Granted, as the same shall from time to time arise, or be paid into the said Office of Excise, or unto the Receiver General of the Customs for the time being respectively, by the Receivers or Collectors of the same, or by any other person whatsoever, and the Comptroller of Excise, and the Comptroller of the Customs

for the time being, or their respective Deputies, shall keep a perfect and distinct account, in Books fairly Written, of all the Rates and Duties arising by this Act, to which all Persons shall have free access, at all seasonable times, Without Fee or Charge; and the said Commissioners and Governors of Excise, and the said Commissioners of the Customs for the time being, are hereby required, and strictly enjoyned from time to time, to pay Weekly (videlicet) On Wednesday in every Week, if it be not a Holyday; and if it be, then the next day after that is not a Holyday) all and every the Moneys arising by the Rates and Duties hereby Granted, into the Receipt of Their Majesties Exchequer, distinct and apart from the other Moneys, which the said Commissioners and Governors respectively, shall receive for the use of Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be provided, and kept in Their Majesties Exchequer (that is to say) in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt, One Book, in which all the said Weekly Moneys which shall be paid into the Exchequer, as aforesaid, shall be entred apart, and distinct from all other Moneys paid, and payable to Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, upon any account whatsoever.

And be it further Enacted, That if the said Commissioners and Governors respectively for the time being, shall refuse, or neglect to pay into the Exchequer, all, or

any the said Weekly Sums appointed to be paid, as aforesaid, in such manner as they are before by this Act required to do, or shall divert or misapply any part of the same; or if such Comptroller shall neglect his Duty in keeping such Accompts, as aforesaid, Then he or they, for any such Offence, shall forfeit their respective Offices or Places, and be incapable of any Office or Place of Trust Whatsoever; and such Commissioner or Commissioners, in such Case offending, shall be liable to pay the full Value of any Sum or Sums so diverted or misapplied, to any Person or Persons who will sue for the same by any Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, Wherein no Essoign, Protection, Wager of Law, Priviledge of Parliament, or other Priviledge, or more than one Imparlance shall be granted or allowed.

Provided always, and be it Enacted, That it shall, and may be Lawful to, and for Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, out of the said Duties arising upon the Tunnage of Ships and Vessels, to cause such Sum and Sums of Money to be expended, and paid from time to time, for Sallaries, or other incident Charges, as shall be necessary in, and for the Receiving, Collecting, Levying or Managing of the same Duties upon the Tunnage of Ships and Vessels during the said Term herein by this Act Granted; any thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Head Office of Excise, which is now Established within the City of London, shall be Continued, and be within the said City, or Ten Miles thereof for ever, and a sufficient Number of Commissioners therein from time to time, shall be continued or appointed by Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, to Govern and Manage the Receipt of Excise, and to Perform and Execute the several matters and things hereby enjoyned to be done and executed by such Commissioners; and that in like manner, there shall be continued, and be within the said City, or Ten Miles thereof for ever, by the appointment of Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, a Comptoller of Excise to keep the Accompts before mentioned.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That Yearly, and every Year, reckoning the first Year to begin from the First Day of June, Which shall be in the Year of Our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety four, the full Sum of One hundred and fourty thousand Pounds, by or out of the Moneys to arise by the said several Duties upon the Tunnage of Ships and Vessels; and by the said Rates and Duties of Excise hereby Granted, or any of them, and to be brought into the Receipt of the Exchequer by Weekly Payments, as aforesaid (in case the said Weekly Payments shall extend thereunto) shall be the whole and entire yearly Fond; and in case the said Weekly Payments shall not amount to One

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hundred and fourty thousand Pounds per Annum, then the said Weekly Moneys or Payments, so far as the same Will extend shall be part of the yearly Fond for, and towards the Answering and Paying of the several and respective Annuities herein after mentioned, and for other the Purposes hereafter in this Act expressed; and in case the said Duties upon the Tunnage of Ships and Vessels, and the said Rates and Duties of Excise by this Act Granted, or any of them, shall at any time or times appear to be so Deficient or Low in the produce of the same, as that within any One Year, to be Reckoned, as aforesaid, the Weekly Payments upon the same Rates or Duties, or any of them, shall not amount to so much as One hundred and forty thousand Pounds, or to so much as shall be sufficient to Discharge and Satisfie the said several and respective Annuities, and other Benefits or Advantages by this Act Appointed or Intended to be Paid, Within, or for the same Year respectively, That then and so often, and in every such Case, the Commissioners of Their Majesties Treasury, and the Under Treasurer of the Exchequer now being, and the Treasurer and Under Treasurer of the Exchequer, or Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, are hereby strictly Enjoyned and Required by virtue of this Act, and Without any further or other Warrant, to be Sued for, Had or Obtained from Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors in this behalf, to cause every such Deficiency to be made good, by Applying,

Iſſuing or Paying ſo much of any Treaſure or Revenue, belonging or to belong to Their Majeſties, Their Heirs or Succeſſors (not being Appropriated to any particular Uſe or Uſes by any Act or Acts of Parliament) towards the Diſcharging or Paying off the ſaid Annuities or other Benefits or Advantages appointed to be paid by this Act, as together with the Moneys which ſhall have been brought into the ſaid Receipt, of or for the ſaid ſeveral Rates or Duties hereby Granted, ſhall be ſufficient to Pay off and Diſcharge, and ſhall compleatly Pay off and Diſcharge all the Moneys which within the ſame year reſpectively ſhall be grown Due, or ought to be Paid upon the ſaid Annuities, or other Benefits or Advantages, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this preſent Act.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That for the better Raiſing and Paying into the Receipt of the Exchequer the Sum of Twelve hundred thouſand Pounds, part of the Sum of Fifteen hundred thouſand Pounds, the yearly Sum of One hundred and forty thouſand Pounds ariſing by and out of the Duties and Impoſitions Granted by this Act, ſhall be kept ſeparate and apart in the ſaid Receipt of Exchequer, to be paid over from time to time unto ſuch Perſon and Perſons, and in ſuch Manner, Proportion and Form as is herein after Directed.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for Their Majeſties, by

Commission under the Great Seal of England, to Authorize and Appoint any number of Persons to take and receive all such Voluntary Subscriptions as shall be made on or before the First Day of August, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety four, by any Person or Persons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Politick or Corporate, for, and towards the Raising and Paying into the Receipt of Exchequer the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, and that the yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said yearly Sum of One hundred and forty thousand Pounds arising by and out of the said Duties and Imposition before mentioned, shall be Applyed, Issued and Directed, and is hereby Appropriated to the Use and Advantage of such Person and Persons, Bodies Politick and Corporate as shall make such Voluntary Subscriptions and Payments, their Heirs, Successors or Assigns, in the Proportion hereafter mentioned (that is to say) That each Weekly or other Payment arising by and out of the Duties and Impositions Granted by this Act, shall by the Auditor of the Receipt of Exchequer, from time to time as the same shall be paid in, be separated and divided into Five Seventh Parts, and Two Seventh Parts, which is according to the Proportion of the said yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, to the said yearly Sum of One hundred and forty thou-

ſand Pounds, Which Five Seventh Parts of the ſaid ſeveral Payments ariſing by and out of the Duties and Impoſitions Granted by this Act, and ſo ſet apart, is, and are hereby Intended and Appropriated for, and towards the Payment and Satisfaction of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, and ſhall from time to time be Iſſued and Paid, as the ſame ſhall come into the ſaid Receipt of Exchequer, to the Uſes and Advantages of ſuch Subſcribers and Contributors, their Heirs Succeſſors or Aſſigns, as ſhall Subſcribe and Contribute for, and towards the Raiſing and Paying into the ſaid Receipt of Exchequer the ſaid Sum of Twelve hundred thouſand Pounds, part of the ſaid Sum of Fifteen hundred thouſand Pounds.

And be it further Enacted, That it ſhall, and may be Lawful, to, and for Their Majeſties, by Letters Patents under the Great Seal of England, to Limit, Direct, and Appoint how, and in what manner and proportions, and under what rules and directions the ſaid Sum of Twelve hundred thouſand Pounds, part of the ſaid Sum of Fifteen hundred thouſand Pounds; and the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds, part of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred and forty thouſand Pounds, and every, or any part or proportion thereof, may be Aſſignable or Transferrable, Aſſigned or Transferred to ſuch Perſon or Perſons only, as ſhall freely and voluntarily accept of the ſame, and not otherwiſe; And to Incorporate all and every

ry such Subscribers and Contributors, their Heirs, Successors, or Assigns, to be one Body Corporate and Politick, by the Name of The Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, and by the same Name of The Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, to have perpetual Succession, and a Common Seal, and that they and their Successors, by the Name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in Law, to have, Purchase, Receive, Possess, Enjoy and Retain to them and their Successors, Lands, Rents, Tenements and Hereditaments, of what kind, nature or quality soever; And also to Sell, Grant, Demise, Alien or Dispose of the same; And by the same Name, to Sue and Implead, and be Sued and Impleaded, Answer and be Answered in Courts of Record, or any other Place whatsoever, and to Do, and Execute, all and singular other Matters and Things by the Name aforesaid, that to them shall or may appertain to do; Subject nevertheless to the Proviso and Condition of Redemption herein after mentioned.

Provided always, and it is hereby further Enacted, That in Case the Whole Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, shall not be Advanced and Paid into the Receipt of Exchequer before the First day of January, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety four; That then the Subscribers and Contributors for, and towards the Raising and Paying of the said Sum of

Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds their Heirs, Successors and Assigns, shall only have and receive so much, and such Part and Proportion to the said Sum and Sums so respectively Paid and Advanced, as shall be after the Rate of Eight Pounds per Centum per Annum; And that at any time upon Twelve Months Notice, after the First Day of August, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and five, upon Repayment by Parliament, of the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, or such part thereof as shall be Paid and Advanced, as aforesaid, unto the respective Subscribers and Contributors of the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, or such part thereof as shall be Paid and Advanced, their Heirs, Successors or Assigns, and of all the Arrears of the said Yearly Payments of One hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Yearly Payments of One hundred and forty thousand Pounds, or such proportionable part thereof, according to the Sum which shall be Paid and Advanced, as aforesaid, Then, and from thenceforward, the said Yearly Payments, and every of them of One hundred thousand pounds, part of the said Yearly Payments of One hundred and forty thousand Pounds; or such proportionable part, as aforesaid, and every part thereof, and the said Corporation shall absolutely

cease and determine; Any thing herein contained in any Wise to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for the better and more speedy Payment of the said Yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Yearly Sum of One hundred and forty thousand Pounds, in the Proportions herein before mentioned and appointed, The Commissioners of Their Majesties Treasury, and the Under Treasurer of the Exchequer now being, and the Lord High Treasurer, and Under Treasurer or Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, are hereby strictly Enjoyned and Required, by Virtue of this Act, and without any further or other Warrant, to be Sued for, Had or Obtained from Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors, to direct their Warrants Yearly, for the Payment of the said Yearly Sums of One hundred thousand Pounds, to the Contributors of the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, in the Manner and Proportions, as is herein before Directed and Appointed; And the Auditor of the Receipt of Exchequer, and all other Officers of the Exchequer now, and for the time being, are hereby Directed and Enjoyned, to Issue the said Moneys so set apart for the Uses before mentioned, from time to time, without any Fee or Reward, in the Manner and Proportions before mentioned, and under the like Penalties, Forfeitures and Disabilities as are hereafter inflicted upon any Officer, for diverting any Money appropriated or applied by this Act.

Provided always, and be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, shall by themselves, or any other Person or Persons in Trust for him or them, Subscribe or cause to be Subscribed for and towards the Raising and Paying the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, any Sum or Sums of Money, exceeding the Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds; and that every such Subscriber shall at the time of such Subscription, Pay or cause to be Paid unto the Commissioners, who shall be Authorized and Appointed for taking and receiving Subscriptions, as aforesaid, One full Fourth Part of his or their respective Subscriptions, and in default of such Payments, as aforesaid, every such Subscription shall be utterly Void and Null: And that the Residue of the said Subscriptions shall be Paid into the Receipt of Their Majesties Exchequer, as Their Majesties shall direct, before the said First Day of January next; And in default of such Payments, That then the Fourth Part first paid, as aforesaid, shall be Forfeited to and for the Benefit of Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors.

Provided, also, and be it Enacted, That it shall not be Lawful to or for any Person or Persons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Corporate or Politick, at any time or times before the First Day of July next ensuing, to Subscribe in his, her or their own Name or Names, or in any other Name or Names, in Trust for him, her or them,

them, for and towards the Raising and Paying into the Receipt of the Exchequer, the said Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, any Sum or Sums, exceeding in the whole the Sum of Ten thousand Pounds; Any thing in this Act contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided always, and be it Declared and Enacted to be the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, That in case the whole Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, or a Moiety thereof, be not Subscribed on or before the First Day of August, One thousand six hundred ninety four, as aforesaid, That then the Powers and Authorities in this Act for Erecting a Corporation, as aforesaid, shall cease and determine; Any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. And in such Case so much of the said yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds as shall belong to the said Subscribers, according to the Meaning of this Act, shall be Transferrable, and may be from time to time Transferred by the respective Persons so Subscribing, Advancing and Paying any part of the said Twelve hundred thousand Pounds into the Exchequer, or their respective Heirs, Successors or Assigns, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, by any Writing or Writings, under the Hand and Seal of the Person or Persons Transferring the same, Attested by Two or more Credible Witnesses, and Entred within

Twenty Days after the Sealing thereof, in a Book or Books to be for that Purpose kept in the said Exchequer by Their Majesties Remembrancer for the time being (for the Entring whereof nothing shall be paid) Which Entries the said Remembrancer is from time to time, upon Request, directed to make; And such part of the said yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds as shall by this Act be due to the said Subscribers, shall not at any time or times hereafter be made Use of, or be a Fond or Security for, or liable or applyed to Raise, Pay or Secure any more, further or other Sum or Sums of Money whatsoever, save only such Money as shall in pursuance of, and according to the Intent of this Act be Advanced and Paid into Their Majesties Exchequer within the time by this Act limitted for the same.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Corporation so to be made, shall not borrow or give Security by Bill, Bond, Covenant or Agreement under their Common Seal for any more, further or other Sum or Sums of Money exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds, so that they shall not owe at any one time more then the said Sum, unless it be by Act of Parliament upon Fonds Agreed in Parliament; And in such case only, such further Sums as shall be so Directed and Allowed to be Borrowed by Parliament, and for such time only, until they shall be Re-

paid such further Sums as they shall Borrow by such Authority, and if any more, or further, or other Sum or Sums of Money shall be Borrowed, Taken up, Lent or Advanced under their Common Seal, or for Payment of which any Bond, Bill, Covenant or Agreement, or other Writing shall be Made, Sealed or Given under the Common Seal of the said Corporation so to be made, then, and in such case, all and every Person and Persons who shall be a Member or Members of the said Corporation, his and their Respective Heirs, Executors and Administrators, shall in his and their respective Private and Personal Capacities be Chargeable with, and Liable in Proportion to their several Shares or Subscriptions to the Repayment of such Moneys which shall be so Borrowed, Taken up or Lent, with Interest for the same, in such manner as if such Security had been a Security for Payment of so much Money, and Interest for the same, Sealed by such respective Member or Members of the said Corporation, and delivered by him or them as their respective Acts and Deeds, in proportion to their several Shares or Subscriptions, as aforesaid; And that in every such case an Action of Debt shall and may be Brought, Commenced, Prosecuted and Maintained in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, by the respective Creditor or Creditors to Whom any such Security, under the Common Seal of the said Corporation, shall be made, or his or their respective Executors

tutors or Administrators, against all and every, or any one or more of the Persons, who shall be Members of the said Corporation, or any of their respective Heirs, Executors or Administrators, in proportion to their respective Shares or Subscriptions, as aforesaid, and therein Recover and have Judgment for him or them, in such and the like manner as if such Security were respectively Sealed by the respective Person or Persons who shall be so Sued, or his or their respective Ancestor or Testator, or Intestate, and by him and them Executed and Delivered, as his or their respective Acts and Deeds; any Condition, Covenant or Agreement, to be made to the contrary thereof in any Wise notwithstanding: And if any Condition, Covenant or Agreement shall be made to the contrary, the same shall be, and is hereby Declared to be Void; any thing herein contained, or any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding; and in such Action or Actions so to be brought, no Priviledge, Protection, Essoign or Wager of Law, nor any more then one Imparlance shall be allowed.

And to the intent that Their Majesties Subjects may not be oppressed by the said Corporation, by Their Monopolizing, or Ingrossing any sort of Goods, Wares or Merchandizes, Be it further Declared and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Corporation to be Made and Created by this Act, shall not at any time, during the continuance thereof, Deal or Trade, or permit, or suffer any Person or Persons

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Whatsoever, either in Trust, or for the Benefit of the same, to Deal or Trade with any of the Stock-Moneys, or Effects of, or any Ways belonging to the said Corporation, in the Buying or Selling of any Goods, Wares or Merchandizes Whatsoever; and every Person or Persons who shall so Deal or Trade, or by Whose Order or Directions such Dealings or Tradings shall be Made, Prosecuted or Managed, shall Forfeit for every such Dealing or Trading, and every such Order and Directions, treble the Value of the Goods and Merchandize so Traded for, to such Person or Persons who shall Sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, Wherein no Essoign, Protection, nor other Priviledge Whatsoever, nor any Injunction, Order of Restraint, nor Wager of Law shall be allowed, nor any more then one Imparlance.

Provided that nothing herein contained shall any Ways be construed to hinder the said Corporation from Dealing in Bills of Exchange, or in Buying or Selling Bullion, Gold or Silver, or in Selling any Goods, Wares or Merchandize Whatsoever, Which shall really and bona fide, be left, or deposited with the said Corporation for Money Lent and Advanced thereon, and which shall not be Redeemed at the time agreed on, or within Three Months after, or from Selling such Goods as shall or may be the Produce of Lands purchased by the said Corporation.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all and every Bill or Bills Obligatory and of Credit, under the Seal of the said Corporation made or given to any Person or Persons, shall and may by Endorsement thereon, under the Hand of such Person or Persons, be Assignable and Assigned to any Person or Persons, who shall voluntarily accept the same, and so by such Assignee, toties quoties, by Endorsement thereupon; And that such Assignment and Assignments so to be made, shall absolutely Vest and Transfer the Right and Property in, and unto such Bill or Bills Obligatory and of Credit, and the Moneys due upon the same; And that the Assignee or Assignees shall, and may Sue for, and maintain an Action thereupon in his own Name.

Provided always, and it is hereby further Enacted, That if the Governor, Deputy Governor, the Directors, Managers, Assistants or other Members of the said Corporation so to be Established, shall upon the account of the said Corporation, at any time or times, purchase any Lands or Revenues belonging to the Crown, or Advance or Lend to Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors, any Sum or Sums of Money, by way of Loan or Anticipation, on any Part or Parts, Branch or Branches, Fond or Fonds of the Revenues now Granted, or Belonging, or hereafter to be Granted or Belonging to Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors, other then such Fond or Fonds, Part or Parts, Branch or Branch-

es of the said Revenues only, on which a Credit of Loan is, or shall be Granted by Parliament; That then the said Governor, Deputy Governor, Directors, Managers or Assistants, or other Members of the said Corporation, who shall Consent, Agree to, or Approve of the Advancing, or Lending to Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors, such Sum or Sums of Money, as aforesaid, and each and every of them so Agreeing, Consenting or Approving, and being thereof Lawfully Convicted, shall for every such Offence, Forfeit Treble the Value of every such Sum or Sums of Money so Lent, Whereof one Fifth part shall be to the Informer, to be Recovered in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, Wherein no Protection, Wager of Law, Essoign, Priviledge of Parliament, or other Priviledge shall be allowed, nor any more then one Imparlance; and the Residue to be disposed of towards Publick Uses, as shall be directed by Parliament, and not otherwise.

Provided always and be it Enacted, That all Amerciaments, Fines and Issues against the said Corporation and their Successors, had, Charged or Estreated in or upon Account of any Suits or Action to be prosecuted or brought against them, shall not be Pardoned, Acquitted or Discharged by any Letters of Signet, Privy Seal or Great Seal of Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors, or otherwise howsoever, and in case any such Amerciaments Fines, or

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Iſſues, ſhall be Eſtreated into Their Majeſties Exchequer againſt the ſaid Corporation, upon any Proceſs for Non-Appearance at the Suit of any Perſon or Perſons, that then it ſhall and may be Lawful, to, and for the Officers of Their Majeſties Exchequer for the time being, Who are hereby Directed to pay the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds to the ſaid Corporation, to detain ſo much Money as the ſaid Amerciaments, Fines or Iſſues ſhall amount unto, out of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds payable to the ſaid Corporation.

And be it further Enacted, That if at any time hereafter, any Perſon or Perſons ſhall obtain any Judgment or Judgments in any Court of Law againſt the ſaid Corporation for any Debt or Sum of Money, and ſhall bring Execution or Executions thereupon unto the ſaid Officers of Their Majeſties Exchequer, that then it ſhall and may be Lawful, to, and for the ſaid Officers of the ſaid Exchequer to pay; And they are hereby required to pay the ſaid Sum or Sums of Money in the ſaid Executions mentioned to the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs therein named, or their Aſſigns, Whoſe Receipt ſhall be a ſufficient Diſcharge for the ſame; And that the ſaid Officers of the ſaid Exchequer, ſhall and may detain ſo much of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred thouſand Pounds as the ſaid Debt or Debts ſhall amount unto.

And Whereas by an Act of this preſent Seſſion of Parliament, Entituled, An

Act for Granting to Their Majesties certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages, in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall Voluntarily Advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against *France*, **It is Enacted, That no Member of the House of Commons shall at any time be concerned in the Farming, Collecting or Managing any Sums of Money, Duties or other Aids by the said Act or any other Act of Parliament Granted or to be Granted to Their Majesties, except the Persons in the said Act excepted; And Whereas some Doubts may arise, Whether any Member or Members of Parliament may be concerned in the Corporation to be Erected in pursuance of this Act, Be it therefore Declared and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be Lawful, to and for any Member or Members of the House of Commons, to be a Member or Members of the said Corporation, for the Purposes in this Act mentioned; any thing in the said Recited Act contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.**

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be Lawful for any Persons, Natives or Foreigners, to Contribute towards the Advancing of the Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds, other part of the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, by paying into the Receipt of

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Their Majesties Exchequer, at any time before the Nine and twentieth Day of September, One thousand six hundred ninety and Four, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Three hundred thousand Pounds, upon the Terms following (that is to say) That every such Person, his Executors, Administrators or Assigns, out of the Rates and Duties Granted by this Act, shall have and receive for every Sum of One hundred Pounds, so by them respectively Advanced and Paid, such yearly Annuity, Rent or Payment, as herein after is directed, (that is to say) That if such Contributor shall Advance and Pay his Money upon one Life only, Then he shall have and Receive a yearly Annuity, Rent or Payment of Fourteen Pounds of Lawful English Money for every Hundred Pounds, and so proportionably for a greater Sum, for and during the Life of such Person so Advancing and Paying the same, or during any other Life to be Nominated by the Person Advancing or Paying any such Sum; And in case such Contributor shall think fit, upon payment of his Money, to have an Annuity for Two Lives, then he shall have an yearly Annuity, Rent or Payment of Twelve Pounds of Lawful English Money for every One hundred Pounds, and so proportionably for a greater Sum, Advanced for and during Two Lives, and the Life of the Survivor of them, to be Nomina-

ed, as aforesaid; And in case such Contributor shall think fit, upon Payment of his Money, to have an Annuity for Three Lives, then he shall have and Receive a yearly Annuity, Rent or Payment of Ten Pounds of Lawful English Money for every Hundred Pounds so by him Advanced and Paid, or after that Rate for and during the Term of Three Lives, and the Life of the Survivor of them, to be Nominated by the Person or Persons so paying the same, as aforesaid; That all and every the said Lives shall be Named by the several Contributors, their Executors or Administrators, or such as shall be Employed by them to Pay in the said Sums, within Thirty Days after the Nine and Twentieth Day of September, One thousand six hundred ninety and four; which yearly Annuities, Rents or Payments shall Commence from the said Nine and Twentieth Day of September, and shall be paid and payable Quarterly, at the Four most usual Feasts of the year, (that is to say) The Feast of the Nativity of our Lord Christ; The Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; The Feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist; and the Feast of St. Michael the Arch-Angel, by even and equal Portions; And every Person or Persons of any such Sum or Sums, as aforesaid, shall immediately have one or more Tally or Tallies Importing the Receipt of the Consideration Money, and Orders for the

the payment of the said Annuities, bearing the same Date with the Tally; the said Tallies to be Levied, and the said Orders to be Signed in the same manner as in and by an Act of this present Parliament, Entituled, An Act for Granting to Their Majesties certain Rates and Duties of Excise upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall Voluntarily Advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards Carrying on the War against *France*, is Mentioned and Directed, touching Tallies and Orders to be given to the Contributors for Annuities upon the said Act, and the said Orders not to be Determinable, Revocable or Countermandable, as touching the aforementioned Orders in the said recited Act is Enacted; which said Orders shall be Assignable and Transferable in such and the same manner as is mentioned in the said recited Act, touching Orders given to the Contributors in the said Act mentioned; And all the Rates and Duties by this Act Granted, or so much thereof as are and shall be Sufficient for the Purposes aforesaid, are and shall be appropriated to, and for the Payment of the said Annuities of Inheritance, and Annuities for Lives, after the several and respective Rates aforesaid, according to the true intent and meaning of this Act, and shall not be diverted or divertible to any other Use, Intent or Purpose Whatsoever,

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under the like Penalties, Forfeitures and Disabilities in respect to all and every the Officers and other Persons in the recited Act mentioned, as are in the said Act Appointed and Enacted in case of Diverting or Misapplying any part of the Moneys, which ought to be paid to the Contributors upon the said Act; and the said Penalties and Forfeitures shall be Sued for, Prosecuted, Recovered and Paid, in such Manner and Form as the Penalties in the said recited Act are Appointed to be Sued for, Prosecuted, Recovered and Paid; in which Suit no Protection, Priviledge of Parliament, or other Priviledge, Wager of Law, or more then One Imparlance shall be Allowed; And the said Officers are hereby required to keep Books and Registers, and make Entries of the Names of all Persons who shall Advance any Moneys before the said Nine and twentieth Day of September, as aforesaid, and of the several Sums so Advanced, and the times of paying in the same respectively, and the Names of such Persons for whose Lives the several Annuities or yearly Payments are to be payable without Fee or Reward, in such manner as in the said recited Act is mentioned; To which Books, all Persons concerned shall have Access, as in the said Act also is Directed; All which the said Officers are to do and perform, under the like Penalties and Forfeitures and Disabilities as in the said recited Act are mentioned; And every Person who shall so Advance and

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Pay any such Sum, as aforesaid, before the said Nine and twentieth Day of September, as aforesaid, shall receive out of the Money Granted by this Act for all Money so Advanced by him, and Paid from the respective Days of Payment, unto the said Nine and twentieth Day of September, as aforesaid, Interest, at the Rate of Ten Pounds per Centum per Annum.

And be it further Enacted, That any Moneys payable to any Person or Persons, upon, or by Virtue of this Act, shall not be Charged or Chargeable with any Rates, Duties or Impositions Whatsoever.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall and may be Lawful, for any Guardian or Trustee, having the disposal of the Money of any Infant under the Age of One and twenty Years, for the Use and Benefit of such Infant, to Advance and Pay the Sum of One hundred Pounds of the Moneys of such Infant, either upon an Annuity of Inheritance, or upon Annuity for Life or Lives, upon the respective Terms and Recompences herein mentioned, at the Election of such Guardian or Trustee; And in Case such Guardian or Trustee, shall pay any such Sum upon an Annuity for Life, he shall thereupon, Within such time as is

herein before appointed for the Naming of Lives, Name the said Infant to be a Nominee, and such Infant, upon Payment of the Sum, shall become a Contributor within the Meaning of this Act, and be Entituled to have and receive a Proportion, as any other Contributor; And the said Guardian and Trustee, as to the said Sum of One hundred Pounds so Advanced, is hereby Discharged.

And to make the Payment of the Annuities more Easie to the several Contributors upon this Act, Be it Enacted, That every Contributor upon this Act, upon the Terms of having an Annuity for One, Two or Three Lives, his or her Executors, Administrators or Assigns, upon their demanding any Payments of his, her, or their respective Shares of the said Fond, unless the Nominee or Nominees, or one of them appear in Person at the said Receipt, shall produce a Certificate of the Life of his, her, or their respective Nominee or Nominees, or one of them, Signed by the Minister and Church-Wardens of the Parish where such Nominee shall be then Living, or otherwise it shall, and may be Lawful, to, and for every Contributor, his or her Executors, Administrators or Assigns, at his, her or their Election, to make

Oath of the Truth of his, her, or their respective Nominees Life, or the Life of one of them, upon the Day when the said Payment shall become due, before one or more Justices of the Peace of the respective County, Riding, City, Town or Place, where in such Person (at the time of Making the said Oath) shall reside, which Oath he or they are hereby Impowered to Administer, and the said Justice or Justices shall make a Certificate thereof; For which Oath and Certificate, no Fee or Reward shall be required, and the said Certificate shall be filed in the said Office of Receipt in the Exchequer; And if any Person shall be Guilty of a False Oath, or Forging any Certificate touching the Premisses, and being thereof Lawfully Convicted, he shall incurr the Pains and Penalties to be inflicted upon Persons who commit Wilful Perjury or Forgery; And in case any Nominee shall at the time of such Demand be Resident in Scotland, or beyond the Seas, and any one or more of the Barons of the Exchequer for the time being, shall Certifie, That upon Proof to him or them made (Which Proof he and they is and are hereby Authorized and Required to take in a Summary Way) it doth seem probable to him or them, that the said Nominee is living, Which Certificate

cate is to be given, and Examination made without Fee or Charge, the said Certificates being Filed, as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient Warrant for Making the said Payment to the respective Contributors or Advancers, their Executors, Administrators or Assigns; And if any Person or Persons shall receive One or more Payments upon his, her or their Annuity or Annuities for any time beyond the Death of his, her or their Nominee or Nominees when the same ought to cease, such Person or Persons shall Forfeit Treble the Value of the Moneys so by him, her or them received, the one half thereof to Their Majesties, Their Heirs and Successors, and the other half to him or them who will Sue for the same by Action, Suit, Bill or Information, in which no Essoign, Protection, Priviledge or Wager of Law, or more than One Imparlance shall be allowed.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the Whole Sum of Twelve hundred thousand Pounds shall not be Subscribed and Paid into the Exchequer, as aforesaid, that then so much of the said yearly Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds, hereby intended to Answer the Recompence for the same, as by such Deficiency shall by this Act be undisposed, shall and may be, and is hereby Applied and Appropriated (so far as

as the same will amount) to pay to any Person and Persons who shall Advance and Pay any Sum or Sums of Money into the Exchequer, on or before the First Day of February, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety and four, on Account, to have an Annuity or Annuities, for One, Two or Three Lives, such respective Sum and Sums for such respective Life or Lives, according to such Rate and Proportion, and for such time, and under such Rules and Directions as are herein before contained, With relation to such as shall Advance and Pay the said Three hundred thousand Pounds.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the Whole Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds be not Advanced and Paid into the Exchequer upon this Act, before the First Day of October, One thousand six hundred ninety four, That then it shall and may be Lawful for Their Majesties or Their Officers, in the Receipt of Their Majesties Exchequer, by Their Command and Appointment, to Borrow and Take into the said Receipt for Their Majesties Use, by way of Loan, any Sum or Sums of Money which together with the Whole Value or Amount of all the Sums of Money, which shall, before the said First Day of October, be Contributed or Adven-

tured, as aforesaid, shall not exceed the Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, which Sum or Sums so taken up, by Way of Loan, shall and may be Charged upon the Credit of Their Majesties Exchequer in general, and Tallies of Loan, and Orders of Repayment of the same, shall be Levied and Drawn accordingly, which said Orders shall be Assignable and Transferrable from one Person to another.

And it is hereby Enacted, That all and every Sum and Sums of Money so to be Borrowed, not exceeding as aforesaid, together with Interest for the same, not exceeding the Rate of Eight Pounds per Centum per Annum to be paid every Three Months, until Satisfaction of the Principal shall be payable and satisfied unto the respective Lender or Lenders of the same, his, her or their Executors, Administrators or Assigns out of the Moneys which shall afterward arise and be brought into the Exchequer by or for Contributions upon this Act, so far as the same will extend; And in case the Money so arising by this Act shall not be sufficient for the paying thereof, then the said Loans which shall remain unsatisfied, and the Interest for the same, shall be repaid out of the next Aids or Supplies to be Granted to Their Majesties in Parliament, and shall be Transferred

Transferred and Transferrable thereunto as soon as any such Aid or Supply shall be Granted to Their Majesties; And if no such Aids or Supplies shall be Granted to Their Majesties before the Second Day of February, One thousand six hundred ninety four, then the said Sum and Sums of Money so to be Borrowed, not exceeding as aforesaid, and the Interest thereof shall be payable and be paid and satisfied to the Lender or Lenders, his, her or their Executors, Administrators or Assigns respectively, by and out of any Their Majesties Treasure, Which from thenceforth shall come into, be, or remain in the Receipt of Their Majesties Exchequer, not being already Appropriated to any particular Uses by any Act or Acts of Parliament before this time made.

And Whereas by an Act of this present Session of Parliament, Entituled, (An Act for Granting to Their Majesties an Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound for one Year, for Carrying on a Vigorous War against *France*) The Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, including therein the Sum of Four hundred thousand Pounds, already borrowed for the Use of the Navy, is by the said Act appropriated for the Services of the Navy and Ordnance, as part of the Supplies Granted this Session for the payment of Wages, for Services done, and

and to be done, and for the Paying for Victuals Supplied, and to be Supplied for the said Navy; and for and towards the Paying for other necessary Provisions and Stores Supplied, and to be Supplied, and for the Ordnance for the said Navy Royal, and for the Wages of the Yards, and other Services of the Ordinary of the said Navy.

Now to the Intent the Whole Sum Granted this present Session of Parliament for the Uses aforesaid, may be thereunto appropriated, It is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of the Money that hath, or shall be Levied by Virtue of this Act, or of another Act of this present Session of Parliament, Entituled, An Act for Granting to Their Majesties, certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, and upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall Voluntarily Advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds, towards carrying on the War against *France*; or of any other Act of this present Session of Parliament, by which any Aids shall be Granted to Their Majesties towards the carrying on the said War, and which shall be paid into the Exchequer, as Well upon Loans as otherwise (except only the Money Appropriated to Pay the Recompences in this and the be-

before Recited Act) The Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds over and above the said Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds in the First recited Act Appropriated, shall be, and is hereby Appropriated for the Services of the Navy and Ordnance, performed and to be performed; And that all other Money which shall be Levied and Paid by virtue of this or any other Act of this present Session of Parliament, not Appropriated by this or the First recited Act, to the Use of the said Navy, or to Pay the Recompences in this and the other recited Act, into the Receipt of the Exchequer, as well upon Loans as otherwise, shall be Applied and Appropriated to and for the Payment of Their Majesties Land Forces and Armies, Ordnance, Ammunition and other Charges incident to the War, and not otherwise.

And for the more effectual doing thereof, Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the half of all Money that hath or shall be Levied or Paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer, by virtue of this Act or any other Act of this present Session of Parliament (except the said First recited Act, and except what is Appropriated by this or the other recited Act, to pay the Recompences of those who have or shall Voluntarily

Advance Moneys, as aforesaid; And except also one other Act, Entituled, An Act to Supply the Deficiency of the Moneys Raised by a former Act, Entituled, An Act for Granting to Their Majesties certain Rates and Duties of Excise upon Beer, Ale and other Liquors, for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned, to such Persons as shall Voluntarily Advance the Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds towards the carrying on the War against *France*) **shall be Applied to answer the said Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, hereby Appropriated to the Use of the said Navy, until the same shall be Paid and Satisfied.**

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That out of the Sum of Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds hereby Appropriated; And out of the said Sum of Ten hundred thousand Pounds in the before recited Act, Appropriated for the Use of the Navy, the Sum of Eleven hundred fifty six thousand nine hundred ninety four Pounds, shall be Applied to Pay the Wages to Officers and Seamen, and other Services belonging, according to the Course of the Navy, to the Head of Wages, performed, and to be performed: And also to Pay the Officers and Soldiers of the Two Marine Regiments. And that the Sum of Twelve hundred

dred fifty seven thousand two hundred sixty and six Pounds, be applied for, and towards the Paying for Victuals and necessary Provisions and Stores, and other Extraordinary Services of the Navy and Ordnance, supplied and performed, or to be supplied or performed: And that the Sum of Eighty five thousand seven hundred and forty Pounds be applied for, and towards Paying the Wages of the Yards, and other ordinary Services of the said Navy.

And that the Sums by this Act appropriated may not be Diverted or Applied to any other Purpose, then is hereby Declared and Intended, Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Rules and Directions Appointed and Enacted in one Act made in the First year of Their Majesties Reign, Entituled, An Act for a Grant to Their Majesties of an Aid of Two Shillings in the Pound for one Year, for the speedy Payment of Money thereby Granted, into the Receipt of the Exchequer, by the Collectors and Receivers; and for Distribution and Application thereof, and keeping distinct Accompts of the same; And all other Provisoes, Pains, Penalties and Forfeitures thereby Enacted, in Case of Diversion of any Money thereby Appropriated, are hereby Revived and Enacted to be in force, and shall be Practised,

aised, Applied, Executed, and put in Ure for, and concerning the Distribution and Application of the said Sums hereby Appropriated, as fully, amply, and effectually, as if the same were here particularly repeated and re-enacted.

And Whereas there is lately set up in this Kingdom a very profitable Manufacture of Silk Stuffs, called Lustrings and Alamodes, never before Made in this Realm, for the which, great Sums of Money of the Nation were heretofore Exported into France; And to the Intent that no Discouragement may be given to so useful a Trade, wherein many hundred of Their Majesties Subjects are Employed, by preventing all Frauds and Deceits to the Revenue of Their Majesties Customs, by Fraudulently Importing such Silks without paying Legal Duties for the same, Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners of Their Majesties Customs for the time being, shall, and are hereby Authorized and Required from time to time, from and after the End of this Session of Parliament, to Mark and Seal, or cause to be Markt and Sealed, all the said Lustrings and Alamodes which now are Imported, and in the Hands of any Person or Persons Whatsoever, and also of all the said Stuffs so called,

led, Which shall be hereafter Imported, and to keep an Entry and Registry thereof in the Custom-house in a Book to be for that purpose provided; And that all Which are already Imported shall be so Markt, Sealed and Registred Within Twenty Days of the said time, for Which there shall be no Fee or Reward paid; And all such Lustrings and Alamodes which shall be hereafter Imported from the time aforesaid, shall be so Markt, Sealed and Registred Without any Fee, as aforesaid, before they be delivered out of the Custom-house Ware-house Where they shall be respectively Imported and Entred; And all such Lustrings and Alamodes which shall be at any time after the Fifteenth Day of May, One thousand six hundred ninety four Imported, and not so Sealed and Markt shall be forfeited, and the Importers or Possessors thereof, subject to such and the like Penalties and Forfeitures as Importers of French Goods, by one Act made in the First Year of Their Majesties Reign, Entituled, An Act for Prohibiting all Trade and Commerce with *France*, to be Recovered as therein Directed; And if any Person or Persons shall Alter or Counterfeit the Mark or Seal, Marks or Seals used, and to be used for the Purposes aforesaid, the Offender shall Forfeit the Sum of Five hundred Pounds to any that

Will Sue for the same by Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, wherein no Essoign, Protection or Wager of Law shall be allowed, nor any more then one Imparlance.

And Whereas it is Enacted in one Act of this present Session of Parliament, Entituled, An Act for Granting to Their Majesties an Aid of Four Shillings in the Pound for One Year, for Carrying on a Vigorous War against *France*, That for the better securing the Trade of this Kingdom, over and above the Ships of War for the Line of Battel, and for Convoys to Remote parts, at the least Four Ships of the Third Rate, Sixteen Ships of the Fourth Rate, Thirteen Ships of the Fifth Rate, and Ten Ships of the Sixth Rate, shall be from time to time Directed and Appointed by the Lord High Admiral of England, or Commissioners for Executing the said Office for the time being, to such Proper Stations as they shall deem meet, to Cruise for securing the Merchant Ships in their going out, and returning home.

Wherefore that it may the better appear how the said Service is performed, wherein the Security of Trade, and the Safety of these Realms is so much concerned, Be it Enacted by the Au-

thority aforesaid, That the Lord high Admiral of England, or Commissioners for Executing the Office of Lord high Admiral of England for the time being, shall, and are hereby respectively required to Exhibit to the Commons Assembled in Parliament, at the next Session of this or any other Parliament, which shall happen after the First Day of August, One thousand six hundred ninety four, a Certificate in Writing under his or their Hands respectively, of the Ships by him or them respectively set out, in pursuance of the said recited Clause, expressing therein the Names and Rates of the Ships set out, and the times When by him or them respectively Ordered, as also the Stations to which they were directed, and the Times how long they were continued at Sea in that Service.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Officers of the Receipt of Their Majesties Exchequer, shall and may Receive, and Take for their Fees, One Peny in the Pound, and no more, for all or any the Sum or Sums of Money to be Issued or Paid to any Their Majesties Garisons or other Land Forces and Armies, and other Charges incident to the same, out of the Money arising by this or any other Act and

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Grant of this Session, or any other Session of Parliament, during this present War, to be Distributed in such Proportion, as the Lord Treasurer, or Lords Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being, shall Appoint.

And to the end the Great Duties of Excise, and the Powers given for the Collecting and Levying the same, may not be Employed for the Influencing of Elections of Members to Serve in Parliament, Which Elections, by the Constitution of this Government, ought to be Free and Uncorrupt; Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the First Day of May, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety four, no Collector, Supervisor, Gauger, or other Officer or Person Whatsoever, Concerned or Employed in the Charging, Collecting, Levying or Managing the Duties of Excise, or any Branch or Part thereof, shall by Word, Message or Writing, or in any other manner whatsoever, endeavour to Perswade any Elector to Give, or Dissuade any Elector from Giving his Vote for the Choice of any Person to be a Knight of the Shire, Citizen, Burgess or Baron of any County, City, Borough or Cinque Port to Serve in Parliament, and every Officer or other Person offending

fending therein, shall Forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds, One Moiety thereof to the Informer, the other Moiety to the Poor of the Parish where such Offence shall be committed, to be recovered by any Person that shall Sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, in which no Essoign, Protection, Priviledge or Wager of Law, or more then one Imparlance shall be allowed; And every Person Convict on any such Suit of the said Offence, shall thereby become Disabled, and Incapable ever Bearing or Executing any Office or Place, Concerning or Relating to the Duty of Excise, or any other Office or Place of Trust whatsoever under Their Majesties, Their Heirs or Successors.

And it is hereby Declared and Enacted, That true Notes in Writing of the last Gauges made or taken by the Gaugers, shall be left by them with all Brewers, Makers, or Retailers of Beer, Ale, or other Exciseable Liquors respectively, or some of their Servants, at the times of taking their said Gauges, containing the Quantity and Quality of the Liquors so Gauged, upon the Penalty of Five Pounds for every Offence or Neglect of the said Gauger or Gau-

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gers, to be recovered by any Person that shall Sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in any of Their Majesties Courts of Record at Westminster, in which no Essoign, Protection, Priviledge or Wager of Law, nor more then one Imparlance shall be allowed.

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